## James Armstrong<sup>1</sup> to William A. Graham

UNC

Williamston Martin Co N.C. Apr. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1867

Learning from the public Journals that you are one of the trustees of the "Peabody Educational Fund," I write to ask your advice as to what steps are necessary in order that we may derive some benefit from said fund.

The cause of education has always been sadly neglected in this county, and from the inability of parents to pay for having their children instructed a large number of both sexes are now growing up in ignorance.

I am confident that with some pecuniary assistance seed might be sown from which much fruit would be reaped.

We have competent and efficient teachers ready to take charge of schools if we only had the means to pay them.

Hoping to hear from you on this subject I have the honor to remain,

Yours very Respectfully

## G. W. Rowland to William A. Graham

UNC

Norfolk April 9, 1867

Yours of 2<sup>d</sup> to hand also \$197 by express enclosed receipt accept thanks.

Cotton very dull we hear of no sales. Liverpool quotations 12<sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub> pence the lowest price since '62. White corn 1<sup>10</sup>.

At any time we can be of service to you here, would be pleased to hear from you.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>This may have been James Watson Armstrong, a native of Orange County who was an 1827 graduate of the University of North Carolina. At one time teaching was his profession. Battle, *History of the University*, I, 792-793; Grant, *Alumni History*, 19.